## ADVOCATE MATTER IS BEING STIRRED

other meeting would be held Monday.

WHAT DR. LAFFERTY SAYS.

Since nothing could be obtained in this direction, Dr. J. J. Lafferty, one of the editors of the Advocate, was himself seen, and through him there was gotten some foca of how the land lies, It was indicated to him that there are rungers to cated to him that there are rumors the effect that there is a fight on the committee; that the fight, is over the Addorsation of the conference

the idea that there would be any recommendations looking toward a withdraw-al of endorsation. Neither, he declared, would there, as currently rumored, be two reports, one of which would come action. The committee, Dr. Lafferty said, would stand solidly by the paper only providing that the improvements be And it is the practicability of making these improvements that is now

Among other things, Dr. Lafferty said he had just appeared before the com-mittee and made a statement. He was kindly received on all sides and was given every opportunity to present the matter fully. He sketched for the bene-At of the body the history of the Ad-vocate and indicated the causes which forced a decline. Chief among these causes was the starting up of so many committee his belief that the plans for of them thought too much might be attempted, but he felt that the task could

be accomplished. Finally, Dr. Lafferty reiterated his tatement that the committee would stand by the paper and not recommend any such action as that hinted at by the Opeculators. Moreover, he believed the report of the committee would be

STATEMENTS OF MINISTERS a pretty lively time of it when the report is submitted. Two of the most prominent ministers in Richmond indicated that the fight in the committee is a serious one, Outsiders said the same. All were strong In the helief that there would and should some change in the methods of the Before the meeting the Rev. R. M.

Maxey, one of the members of the com-mittee, was asked concerning the matter, and while he did not manifest a disposition to discuss it in detail, he admitted merely that the matter of change and improvement was being mooted. It is proper to state in this connection

that there is no moral question whatso-ever involved in the Advocate affair. Dr. Lafterty says there is nothing at all disagreeable. It is not so much he says, a dissatisfaction as it is a general belief that there is a possibility of considerable inprovement in the organ of the Vir-ginia Conference, and that the managers of the paper should be given every as-distance in effecting this improvement. All were to stand together, he said.

THE COLPORTAGE AGENCY in a way. The present agent, the Rev. Herber M. Hope, is one of the editors of the Advocate. His editorial work, it is stated, has hindered him in performing stated, has hindered him in performing the duties of an agent, and hence the work has not progressed rapidly. Proposition now is to engage some min-leter who can devote his whole time to the colporage business.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

MADE A TURN OVER,

Any Ore Can Do It.

A principal in a public school in Onto and a food experience that will be fa-miller to many school teachers. "The hard work of the school room was so wearing that I was completely worn out and could barely walk home 

ession or get some food that would obtain my nerves.

"Fortunately enough at this juncture I discovered Grape-Nuts and am very grateful that I did. After using the food for a month I felt decidedly better and like a new man refurrected from the grave. The sluggish feeling, head-the and nervous spells have all left and I feel young and active. me and I feel young and active.

pon my work because my nerves have been strengthened and my health and energy has returned, and I take interest in my work which before seemed a burden. can better concentrate my mind

"I use Grape-Nuts every day occasion." I use Grape-Nuts every day occasion. The considerable amusement was provided the measures of the measures of the Rev. J. C. Reed the presiding elder the Rev. J. C. Reed the Rev. J. C. Reed the presiding elder the Rev. J. C. Reed the Rev. J. C. Ree use Grape-Nuts every day because

The old fight between the Education Board and the presiding elders is up again this year, and is expected by many to cause some stir. An elect on will have to occur this session and the battle lines are expected to spread out as before. The action in certain quarters of the Vir-rinia Conference in attempting to elect the Board on the first day is declared to be more significant than it looks to the causal observer. "They want to oust a number of members of the Board, with whose policy they do not agree," said a minister yesterday. 'The presiding elders nominate the men. Of these nominations made the other day, before it was de-

the large major ty were new men. The big fight will come when the election is held in a day or twe." A committee from the Norfolk minisvocate; and that some are in favor of withdrawing from the paper the elliptic dorsation of the conference if a change is not made in certain directions.

ters' meeting appeared before the Bishop on Friday and laid before him a resolution asking that no presiding elder who has served more than eight years dorsation of the conference and the common made in certain directions.

Dr. Lafferty admitted that the committee was disposed to believe that there mittee was disposed to believe that there mittee received scant encouragement. Should be an improvement in certain mittee received scant encouragement. Here in the Advocate. But he scouted The attitude of the Bishop in this case nipped in the bud another movement in the same direction, which sprang up last

cided to postpone action until the end,

The matter of the resolution of the Farmville District has not been dropped. A committee of laymen from the old district went to the Bishop yesterday af-ternoon after adjournment of conference presented the following: RETURN THIS COPY TO SCOTT .....

To the Hon. Bishop Duncan: We, your petitioners, of the old Farm-ville District, and others, would most re-spectfully present the following facts: 1st. That we represent 25 per cent. of the old membership of the Farmville wille, it is easily reached and affords geo-graphically the best and most compact territory of any district in the connec-tion, 4th. That our people earnestly de-sire the restoration and are able and willing to support a Presiding Eider if old territory is restored. 5th. That age and prestige and almost unanim'ty of sen iment urge the restoration of this DR. BIGHAM'S ADDRESS.

> GEORGE P. ADAMS, JAMES M. DAVIS, M. D., W. T. CLARKE, E. S. EMORY. JAMES E. CLARKE,

Members of the committee said last night they hoped some favorable action would result from the petition. The Bishop, as is his custom, made no expression, merely saving the petition would be a continuation of a Board Department. In his opinion books should be sold as long as they can be sold. It is important to get the proper books circulated and the proper books circula however, that he has been thinking of the Farmville District for a long time.

#### YESTERDAY'S SESSION

Transactions of the Conference During the Morning. The conference was called to order

shortly after 9:30 o'clock by Bishop Duncan. Devotional exercises were lead by that the question is up and is occupying the attention of the committee. He said, however, that no severe criticism had up to that time been brought to bear upon the editors of the Advocate. It was until the entire church was filled.

Several names were called under Question 20 and were passed in examination of character and were referred to special committees. The Rev. L. T. Hitt, of Gordonsville, was reported by his presiding elder to have broken down in health, and was referred for the superannuated relation; the Rev. F. M. Edwards, of Onancock, who goes out West for educational work, was referred to the Committee on Conference Rela-tions; the Rev. W. E. Bullard, of West Richmond, was referred for the super-numerary relation; the name of the Rev. E. F. Smith. of West Franklin, took the same direction. The Bishop declined to entertain the names of the Rev. Dr. E. L. Pell, of this city, and the Rev. Edgar P. Parham, of Peters-burg, because they were not present to give report of themselves. Mr. Parham came in later and was referred for the superannuated relation.

At this point the secretary read a telegram from the Baptist General Association in session at Norfolk, conveying greetings. The Rev. S. S. Lambeth was appointed to make suitable re-

Apology was made by the Rev. Robert Watts, of Fluvanna, for his absence when his name was called Thursday, who was permitted to make his report at this time. His character was passed The class of the third year. Rev. J. E. The class of the third year, Rev. J. E.
De Shazo clairman, was called, and the
following were passesd: John W. Lillason,
Jr. Jessie K. Holman, James T. Green,
Robert P. Lumpkin Hamnden H. Smith,
Thomas W. Ogdan Hamnden H. Smith, Thomas W. Ogden, Henry W. Dunkley. Frank Burruss, John C. Sewell, James E Oyler, Lewis C. the class of the fourth year except the Rev. Mr. Dunkley, who owing to diffi-cult circumstances, was unable to stand examination. He was continued in the

third year.
The name of the Rev. Thomas P. Leitch was called but owing to his absence, the Bishop refused to pass his character. The Rev. E. L. Peeruan, a student of Vanderb'lt, whom the Bishop criticised for not sending a report, was continued

ADDRESS FROM THE EDITOR.

The introduction of the Rev. G. B. Wintes, editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, the organ of the Southern church, was made here by Bishop Duncan. Dr. Winton succeeded to the editorial of the control of the con rial office at the recent General Conference and said his work was so new to him he was not prepared to make a connectional address. He merely came to salute the Conference and to do so, had come about the length of the church—

from California to Virginia.

"But one thing I can say," continued Dr. Winton, "I have no personal interests to serve in connection with the Advocate. The paper shall not be a medium of my likes and dislikes and be sure that in anything looks as if it is, I am being

misunderstood."

Continuing, Dr. Winton spoke of the plans for the Advocate and declared that it should be the organ of the whole church, the representative of the church's thought; the embodiment of the church-

thought; the embodiment of the churches' life; a 'truly connectional paper. It was not to be the organ of any particular portion of the church or of any phase of the churchs' work.

Dr. Winton gave in details some of the changes which have been made in the Advocate. Special attention, he said, welld be given to a news department, in which would be compactly chronicled the barnenings in the church. Dr. Winton's happenings in the church. Dr. Winton's remarks were received with attention and interest. One of them created a laugh. He. playfully referred to Bishop Duncan as a Frenchman. The Bishop, to say the least, was somewhat surprised.

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MORE QUESTIONS.

Minute Question 10: "What Local
Prachers Are Elected Deacons" was called and the following were passed: Charles
H. Havens, of Petersburg District; Walter G. Parker, of Portsmouth District.

Question 14: "What Local Preachers
Are Elected Elders?" followed and the name of Charles W. Cooper, of West Richmond. was passed.

DR. HAMMOND'S ADDRESS.

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A notable address was made by the Rev.
J. D. Hammond, D. D., secretary of the
Board of Education, of the General Conference. He spoke rather briefly to-day,
but indicated that there would be more on Monday, when the question of education will be thrown open for a general dis-

Hammond's address was his statement that there must and would be a great forward movement in the time of improvement in the training of ministers. There is a need for the better education of the ministry. Reference was made to the order of deaconesses instituted by the last General Conference and Dr. Hammond declared it meant much for the cause of education. It meant teamed and organized work in place of unteamed and dis-organized. There would be skilled work in the Sunday-schools; no more incom-potent teachers; the Bible is to be studied

before it is taught, and so on.

The work of the board. Dr. Hammond rays, is taking definite form and is now as good as that of any church, any State or any private institution. And it is going to be pushed forward through along the old lines. The conferences would all be asked to help. The ministers would be communicated with individually. They would be asked to devote a portion of their would be asked to devote a portion of their time to impressing upon their congrega-tions the needs of Christian education. It was desired to have these congregations hearn that it is as important to contribute to education as it is to contribute to for-cign missions. Plans would be sent by the board to the pastors looking to the de-velopment, the improvement and the organization of the work in the churches.

Brief mention was made by Dr. Ham-mond, of the public schools. He said he did not ask the ministers to turn the pub-lic schools into Methodist institutions, but he did want them to improve their own schools. They must teach these children religions which they cannot learn in the jubile schools. If education is not fostered, if the schools are not endowed and improved, there would be a great and disamongst the districts before demember-sup financially second or third, 3d. That owning its personage, situated in Farm-and also said he hoped the Virginia Conference would clinch the offer of Mr. John P. Branch in connection with Randolph-Macon. Reference was also made to the action of a Northern State in excluding the Fible from the public schools because it is a "sectarian" book. No such thing.

> On behalf of the publishing house of the general conference, the Rev. Dr. A. J. Bigham, one of the agents, made an interesting address, setting forth the character of the work and indicating character of the work and indicating the condition of the business at this

long as they can be sold. It is important to get the proper books circulated and circulated at the cheapest prices possible. Just at this time there is coming down from the North a perfect flood of books which are not only indifferent, but are distinctly hurtful. Hence it is a matter of supreme importance that the church offset this damaging tendency, and the way to do it is to put a good book in the place of a had book.

place of a bad book.
"No," continued Dr. Bigham, "we shall not go out of the book business. But we shall all the more guard carefully the character of the books published."

Reference was made by Dr. Bigham to the market for the books of the Publishing House and then spoke of the new Shanghai House, which he declared to

Shanghai House, which he declared to be in good shape.

"The providence of God Almighty," he said, "is in the Shanghai House."

Something was also said about the Dallas House, which is in a flourishing condition. A house will be retained at Dallas as long as the Book Committee can see its way been it was

as the Book Committee can see its way clear to keep it up.

Of the administration of the House and of his connection with it Dr. Bingham did not speak. But he said one thing. "The Publishing House is heavy, and I can't carry it all. Dr. Smith and myself both can't carry it all. We need the help of the stockholders and we need the help of the stockholders and we need the help of the stockholders from Virgna. Wil you gv et? We shall do the best we can and try to extracte the House from any difficulties in which it is now or should become envolved. But we need your prayers and your help."

STILL TALKING.

The order during the Conference during

The order during the Conference during the morning was not of the best. The Bishop again referred to the absence of many of the delegates who were outride talking. As Dr. Bingham advanced upon the platform to speak the Bishop said another word or two to the ladies who were talking again to-day. He said he had been misunderstood before. He does not scold lades, but he does want them to understand that they must not talk in open Conference. Just as the Bishop uttered his last word the loud voice of a women was heard from the lobby in the front of the church. "Now just listen at it," said the Bishop. "Close that door, places."

Minute Question No. 1 was called and several young men were admitted on trial. A short sketch of each was read as his name was pronounced.

Among those admitted were the following: J. M. Rowland, J. C. Gran-berry, Jr., Charles H. Fielding, H. C. Pfeiffer, W. E. Edwards, Jr., John W. Pizer, W. A. Jeffries, James A. Thomas, Boyd E. Hudson, V. R. Turner, J. F. Cuthriell, J. W. Eme, E. K. Odell.

In the case of J. A. Thomas, a young man recommended for admission, the report of the committee was not unanimous and was rather doubtful on a point here and there. For one thing, it was said that the candidate was somewhat

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said it would be unfair to the people to appoint the young man and send him out to some church. There should be no doubt of his qualifications. Dr. Lipscomb said he would vote against

his admission. It was stated on all hands that there was no attempt to call into question the character of Mr. Thomas. There was no moral issue involved. It was only a question as to whether or not the young man is adopted to the work. oung man is adopted Statement was made to this effect by

Dr. Reed and others.

Somewhat of a little stir was created by the Rev. Mr. Atwill, of Danville, who declared that while there was nothing against the character of Mr. Thomas, the Conference would make a great mistake to admit him. It should make haste slowly. Further remark in connection with the case by Dr. Whittey, chairman of the Committee on Admissions, by Dr. W. W. Royal, by Dr. Lipscomb, and by others.

Finally the Rev. Herbert M. Hope arose finally the Rev. Herbert M. Hope arose for a few words. He did not know Mr. Thomas, but he wished to call the attention of the Conference to certain points Mr. Thomas, he said, is recommended by his district, is further recommended by the district on Admissions. mended by the Committee on Admissions and is spoken of in high terms by those who know him. He thought the Confer-ence should admit him on trial. It seemed to be forgotten that he would be still on trial, and that the Conference could yet decide if he was fitted for the work. Mr. Hope said he would vote for Mr. Thomas. A vote was then taken and by a large majority Mr. Thomas was admitted.
TWO REPORTS. Mr. W. W. Vicar, of Norfolk, submitted

report of the Preachers' Relief So

The report showed the following facts: Assets, \$36,000, an increase of nearly \$700 over last year. They also presented a paper adopted by the society in which touching reference was made to their late president, Mr. C. V. Winfree,

of Lynchburg.

Mr. John P. Branch submitted the report of the committee appointed to place stones to mark the graves of Revs. W. B. Rowzie and L. M. Lee, D. D. The remains of Mr. Rowzie were removed from Essex county to Hollywood, this

The Conference then adjourned until to-morrow morning.

### CONFERENCE RUMORS

Many Changes This Year, and Some of Those Being Discussed.

As the Conference proceeds it becomes evident that the number of changes this year will be large. The council is just get-ting at the appointments for next year, and the rumors are beginning to circuand the rumors are beginning to circulate around. Some of them are given below. It is proper to state, however, that no Conference rumor is authoritative or has any warranty for certainty. Some of those below bear signs of being attogether groundless, but still they are rumors, and they are given for what they are worth. There is no sifting them, and as many of them frequently hit the mark, the whole bunch, so far as it has

First and foremost, of course, comes the matter of the presiding elders. No-body knows exactly what is going to happen in this direction, but everybody is guessing, and many are the interesting ports being bruited around.
As stated before, the Rev. J. T. Whit-

ley, of Lynchburg, and the Rev. R. Fin-ley Gayle, both former pastors here, are being mentioned in connection with the office of presiding elder. These are rather shaky rumors, however, particularly that concerning Mr. Whitley, who, it is said, is slated for a Norfolk pastorate. Four presiding elders have served four years, and will have to be moved. It is

just possible that one of them. Dr. W C. Vaden, will be returned to the pastorate. Dr. Paul Whitehead, of the Lynchburg District, is said to be on his way to the Norfolk District. The Rev. J. H. Amiss, of Rappahannock, is mentioned as successor to Dr. Whitehead. Dr. J. Powell Garland, of this city, who says he expects to remain here, is still being talked of for the Portsmouth District. The Rev. J. T. Wilson, of the Petersburg District, will, it is said, take Dr. Garland's position in the Richmond

The Rev. Dr. Smart, late of the St. Louis Conference, will certainly go to Ep-worth Church, Norfolk, according to pres-ent indications. Epworth Church is one of the very finest charges in the Virgina Conference, and there is still being manifested the disaffection over the bringing in of an outsider and the bestowing upon him of this particular place.

The Rev. R. H. Bennett, formerly of St. James Church, this city, was recently assistant to Dr. Coke Smith, at Epworth Church, who was at first slated for Mount Vernon Church, Danville, is now said to be in line with Centerary Church, Lynchburg. The pastor of Mount Ver-non Church, it is said, will be returned, and his name comes in conflict with rumor. 'The Rev. R. Finley Gayle is the pastor of the Danville charge, and he cannot be returned and be made presiding elder all at the same time.

The paster of Centenary. Lynchburg so says the slate, will be transferred to Centenary. Norfolk. The paster is the Rev. Mr. Whitley, mentioned above.

There seems to be but small probability that the Rev. Graham H. Lambeth, of Norfolk, will succeed the Rev. Joseph D. Langley at St. James, this city. The Rev. M. S. Colonna, Jr., of Cabell Street, Lynchburg, will probably come to the Richmond church. The Rev. S. J. Battin, of Sledd Memorial, Danville; is also being mentioned.

The Rev. I S Wallace, of Washington Street, Danville, formerly of this city, will not return to his present charge. The statement that Mr. Wallace will succeed Mr. Langley at St. James is alto-gether without foundation.

It is conceded that unless the signs are worthless, there will be no changes

among the larger churches in Richmond. The name will be the case in Petersburg-Dr. W. G. Starr will return to Washing-ton Street, Petersburg.

The Rev. F. M. Edwards, of Onancock, will go far into the West, where he will engage in educational work. He will not sever his connection with the Virginia Conference, however. Mr. Edwards is one of the oldest members in the Conference, and his departure is viewed with

The Rec. Mr. Lambeth, of LeKie's Me-morial, Norfolk, will probably go to Boydon.

The Rev. William P. Wright, of Cape-ville, will be the next pastor of Denny-

Street, Fulton.

The Rev. J. K. Holman, of Pownatan county, is wanted at Hasker-Memorial, in this city, and will likely be sent there. He is a sterling young man.

#### **CONFERENCE NOTES**

Annual Meeting of the Brotherhood Services To-Day.

The annual meeting of the Virginia Conference Brotherhood was held last nght in the main auditorium of the Broad Street Church. An address was delivered by the Rev. Graham Lambeth, of Norfolk.

An amendment to the constitution pro-

vides that hereafter the security on investments shall only be real estate or submit plans for an increase in the endowment.
Officers were elected as follows: Presi-

dont. Dr. J. J. Lafferty; Vice-President, Rev. R. A. Compton; Secretary and Treasurer, Rav. W. P. Wright; Assistant Secretary and Treasurer. Dr. W. W. Royall; Trustees, Revs. R. W. Watts, E. F. Lipscomb, C. F. James, and James It is believed by some of the oldest ginia Conference that the reports indi-

the assessments ordered by the conference have not been raised, but this will another house of worship was erected on be done this year. The number of additions in membership will exceed that of Rev. William Hammett. of Irish birth.

cther years.

In a number of instances debts on church property have handicapped the work. One of the marks of improvement is seen in the precaution now used in not assuming obligations beyond their A few years ago it was almost unknown

to place insurance on church property in the country; now that has been cor-

The Methodist ministers will visit the Methodist Institute, corner of Nineteenth and Main Streets, Monday afternoon. The ladies of the Home Mission Societies of ladies of the Home Mission Societies of Pichmond will be present and serve choose the manufacture of Methodism in England occurred to the content of the content olate for the preachers. Mrs. R. E. Micheals and Miss Rebecca Hardwicke were on the conference floor yesterday morning to ask, as presidents of the societies in the two districts in Richmond.

Two ordination services will be held Sunday; in the morning at Broad-Street and at night at Clay-Street. Bishop Duncan will preach at the former and Dr. W. W. Starr at the latter.

Nearly every Richmond pulpit will filled Sunday by the visitors. The I of appointments is given elsewhere.

The Board of Education will submit its report to-morrow. As stated before there will be some interesting recommendations in connection with Randolph-Macon College and the Branch offer.

The conference will adjourn early this week, possibly on Tuesday night. By many, however, it is thought highly will be Wednesday night before the business is done.

Methodism in Richmond had its birth

in the year 1700. The first place of wor-ship was in the old Henrico County Courthouse, which stood at the location of the present courthouse of the county Very soon the little band were denied the privilege of the public building on account of the complaints of residents of the neighborhood, who objected to the loud singing and the sometimes shout-ing of the worshippers. These goodly souls had religion, and "told it right along," enjoying their "class" and "experience" meetings and singing the old spiritual songs that told of their conversion and regeneration.

The eviction from the courthouse caused the faithful band to meet for worship in their respective homes and out on the commons. "The earth is our home and Jesus Christ is our friend." they said, as their loyal spirits praised their 'God, from whom all blessings flow.'

It was during this year that the first church was erected-fronting 35 feet on Franklin Street and running back 40 feet in a line with Nineteenth Street-an edi fice which surpassed in cost, quality and of St. John's parish. The membership at this time was twenty-eight; to-day it is near eight thousand, and there are fifteen excellent church edifices; such has been the growth of Richmond Meth-

The first pastor was Thomas Lyell, a good speaker and a zealous, spiritual man, who soon endeared himself to his

Among the early practical friends of the young church was a man of good heart and comfortable purse, whose name was Parrott. His wife and daughters were of the best type of Wesleyan Methodists, and this home was known as the missionaries always found a royal welcome at Mr. Parrott's. He caused one of his barns, or outhouses, to be filled up and made comfortable for church services by the little band of Methodists themselves a tabernacle. Incidentally, it it should be stated that from the "Stable Church" the congregation was united back to the old courthouse building. The people became accustomed to demonstrative religion. Richmond then had a pop-

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ulation of just 5,000, and the people were indifferent or hostile to religious enterprises. The first Methodist Church in first house of divine worship built in the bonds and stocks of undoubted market a small mission chapel, erected by the value. A committee was appointed to Baptist, near where the pentientiary now oldest church in the city, but was erected by the English Government, as it was of the established church.)

Richmond was permanently established year reported 112 white members; in 1812 there were 256 white members; in 1827 two churches appear on the minutes these were the days of Bishop Asbury, that great primitive Methodist. His sermons were of great power and unction in 1812 "Shacco" Church, on Marshall between Fourth and Fifth, was dedicated by the Rev. Thomas L. Douglass, the first pastor being G. W. Carlton; in 1820 Franklin Street, the first pastor being Rev. William Hammett, of Irish birth, and quite an orator and elocutionist. In descendent of the original church. Trinity was the first congregation, and built the first church, succeeded by two edifices on Franklin Street (the first being destroyed by fire), and then in turn b the present elegant edifice at Twentleth and Broad. Dr. Hammett was succeed-ed by Simon Sykes, William H. Smith.

in 1839, and collections were taken up for church extension. Centenary Church is one of the fruits of this work, Shacco and Trinity giving \$11,600 to the collec-tion. From Centenary sprung, directly or indirectly, Laurel Street (succeeding Oregon Hill), Clay Street (taking the place of Clay Street Chapel), Park Place (formerly Sidney and Highland Park), Broad Street (in which the conference sits), resulted from a division in Trinity's congregation-not a pastoral division, but for the two churches. Dr. James A. Duncan headed the movement. Union Sta-tion (formerly Wesley Chapel) dates back to 1843 on the minutes, and the present elegant edifice is the successor of several smaller houses of worship. Fairmount and Hacker Memorial are offstarts of Union Station. St. James is the daughter of Trinity, in a very important sense, as its chief promoters were from Trinity, but was erected by the Laymen's Union. Asbury is a product of the Laymen's Union also. Denny Street, Fulton, grew out of a missionary enterprise in Rocketts.

All these churches have a history of deep interest, and associated with each are tender memories of many a saintly Methodist of our city to-day. The older members have to recite the days and deeds of Hammett and Carson, of Leroy Duncan, and of late years. Alex G. Brown, P. A. Peterson and other saintly nineteenth century's religious work.

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again last summer, when Judge B. P. Circuit, all eyes turned at once to Judge Ciump, and he was chosen without opposition in the Ear Association and the legislative caucus. The distinguished place he will now be called upon to fill was offered him without the knowledge that he was even being considered by the Governor, to say nothing of a move to

Judge Crump is a son and former law partner of the late Judge W. W. Crump, the far-famed and brilliant jurist and ad-vocate, and he made his firt great repu-tation at the bar with his father and Hon. Henry R. Pollard in the brilliant defense set up in the trial of Thomas J. Cluverius for the murder of Fannie Lillian Madison many years ago. People of all classes are "falling over themselves" to commend Governor Montague for nam-ing Judge Crump and to congratulate the

State upon his appointment. Henry C. Stuart and Henry Fairfax are distinguished figures in the public eye and are most favorably known throughout the State. They were both leaders in the recent Constitutional vention and held important chairman-ships in that body. STUART AND FAIRFAX.

Mr. Stuart and Mr. Fairfax were earnest advocates of the corporation article, and the former took active part in the delates on that subject. Mr. Fairfax was for many years the very able chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Senate, the Committee on Finance of the Senate, and succeeded Delegate Virginius Newton, of this city, in a like position in the convention when the latter retired from the body. They are both broad-minded, progressive, honest men, who may be relied upon with absolute confidence to deal fairly and intelligently with all the intricate matters which will come before them.

FROM FINE OLD STOCK. FROM FINE OLD STOCK.

Mr. Stuart is regarded as one of the finest business man in the western part of the State, and all the people, especially out in his splendid mou fain edition, love him as a tried and trusted leader. He is a nephew of the late "Jeb" Stuart, the dashing Confederate cavalry leader, and is a fine'y educated and according to the confederate cavalry leader and is a fine'y educated and according to the confederate cavalry leader. leader, and is a fine'y educated and ac-complished Virgin'a se-tleman.

Mr. Fairfax is a civil engineer by pro-

leader, and is a fine'y educated and accomplished Virgin'a ger theman.

Mr. Fairfax is a civil engineer by profession, but for many years has devoted his time to farming and breeding the horses on his splendid estate at Alde, which was formerly the residence and country seat of the late President Morroe. He is a graduate of the Virgin's Military Institute and of the Uriver try of Virginia, and like b's two alleges he cames of the most distinguished stock of Virginia ances ry.

That these men will be appointed and confirmed, and that they will make a fine commission and give the utmost satisfaction to all classes, there now appears no shadow of doubt.

A great fight is brewing over the suc-

cessor to Judge-elect Crump on the new circuit bench, and a large number of condidates will enter the race. The avowed aspirants are Messrs. R. Carter Scott and George A. Ainsile, while friends are urging Mr. W.R. Meredith, Judge T. Ashby Wickham, ex-Senator Conway R. Sands and Mr. Hill Montague to enter Sands and Mr. Hill Montague to enter the race. The Bar Association will likely act in the matter, though some members say there will be a Democratic legislative caucus.

The friends of Mr. Scott are very so-tive, and claim a majority of the local members aircady. He is a prominent lawyer, and was for a few months At-torney-General of the State, having filled out the unexpired term of his father in

Mr. Ainsile is one of the strong young lawyers of the city, and was formerly the law partner of Major Miles ... Mar-

Judge Wickham is the present county judge of Henrico, and has one of the cleanest and best records of any county judge in the State.

Mr. Meredith is well known as one of the strongest lawyers here, and has often been mentioned for judicial honors. Mr. Sands was long a member of the Senate, and is a man in active and lucrative practice, with a decided judicial turn of mind. -Mr. Montague is a most successful young lawyer, and stands well at the

# DR. WOOD BLINDED

be shaped until he had recovered. He said he thought of settling in New Or-leans. Dr. Wood is probably twenty-five or twenty-six years old, low and rather stout, with dark hair, deep set eyes, and stout, with dark hair, deep set eyes, and slightly deaf. In his room were noticed several works on dentistry, which he brought with him from Virginia. He says he is a graduate of the dental de-partment of the University College of

partment of the University College of Medicina, Richmond.

Dr. Wood said he hardly expected people to be leve his story. "They will ascribe my disappearance and silence to something else," said ha

The above interesting story, told by Dr. Wood himself, clears up one of the most mysterious disappearances in the Dr W. W. Wood, in this city, brother

of Dr. Fred. A. Wood, and also his parents and friends, did everything possible to secure some clue to the missing m n's wiereabouts even calling on t e State Depar ment for aid trough its consus in foreign lands, believing that the young man had been a muchaled. Hope was entertained that he wor'd be hea d from at some south American port perhaps, but when weeks went by and no tidings came, hope went down, and it was feared he was dead. The special delivery letter to his pa-rents, referred to in the above account.

was duly received, and was the first in-timation his parents had received, and promised further details. Those promised are no doubt contained in the above tele-gram, which are so strange that Dr. Wood himself fears the public will doubt

#### MR. HEART AND HIS WASHINGTON NEWSPAPER

WASHINGTON, November 15 .- A great deal of interest has been aroused by what is apparently a well founded rumor to the effect that Representative-elect William Randolph Hearst wil establish a newspaper in Washington on the lst of January. Everyone is wondering what manner of sheet this brilliant young manner of sheet this brilliant young newspaper man will give to quiet old Washington. As yet, the only definite plece of information in regard to this new journalistic venture is that Mr. Max Ihmsen, formerly at the head of the Washington bureau of the New York Journal, will have charge of Mr. Hearst's

Washington paper.
At present Washington has three papers—the Post, the Star and the Times. The Post is a morning paper, the Star an evening paper and the Times, morning and evening. All three are independent in their politics with a strong Republican leaning. Consequently are independent in their politics with a strong Republican leaning. Consequently there is a good chance for a strong Democratic paper, and it is thought that Mr. Hearst wil establish one of that political complexion. The impression prevails that he will publish two editions a day. But the most striking feature is that, according to the current rumor, the new paper is to be a model of conversatism.

#### NEGRO'S SHOT KILLED A SOUTH CAROLINA FARMER

(By Associated Press.)

GREENVILE. S. C., November 15 .-Samuel Williman, a white farmer, was shot and instantly killed this afternoon by an unknown negro. The negro had robbed Williman's house early in the morning, and had been captured. Williman and another man were on their way to the jail with the prisoner when he snatched Williman's pistol and

shot him dead. The negro essened, but is being closely pursued by the sheriff.

RECORD MAKING RACING PIGEONS.

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